

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the
Commission's Own Motion to Establish
Consumer Rights and Consumer Protection Rules
Applicable to All Telecommunications Utilities.

Rulemaking 00-02-004
(Filed February 3, 2000)

**ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S
RULING MODIFYING WORKSHOP AND COMMENT SCHEDULE**

This ruling revises the schedule for workshops and permits replies to post-workshop comments in this proceeding.

Revised Schedule

On July 12, 2002, we issued a ruling scheduling workshops, and replies to workshop presentations combined with replies to the draft decision of Commissioner Wood, in this proceeding. Various parties responded with suggestions for improving the schedule. While consumer groups and carrier representatives didn't agree in all respects, there was a general consensus to move the workshops set for July 25th and 26th to a later time, several parties suggesting they be shifted to follow on the heels of the August 5th and 6th workshops. Carrier representatives generally wanted more workshop time devoted to their issues; consumer groups did not seek additional time on their own issues.

After considering the parties' informal comments, we are revising the schedule for receiving party input on Commissioner Wood's draft decision as follows:

July 16, 2002	Comments on draft decision (no change to current schedule).
July 23, 2002	Revised date for serving all parties' proposed workshop topic summaries (was July 18 th for carriers and July 30 th for consumer groups).
July 25 & 26, 2002	(These workshop dates canceled).
August 5, 6, 7 & 8, 2002	Workshops.
August 16, 2002	Replies to comments on draft decision, combined with comments on workshop presentations (no change to current schedule).
August 23, 2002	Replies to comments on workshop presentations.

The schedule for events after August 23rd will be determined later.

Workshops and Comments

The workshop days previously set for July 25th and 26th are canceled. Instead, there will be four consecutive workshop days: August 5, 6, 7 and 8. The previous designations of Workshop Session 1 for carrier representatives and Workshop Session 2 for consumer groups are dropped. The workshop agenda will be topic-oriented as before, but may or may not reserve specific days for each.

Because both carriers' and consumers' issues will be taken up in the same four days of workshops, all parties' summaries of topics they propose be covered must be received in time to prepare the agenda. Those summaries are due by July 23rd. In all other respects the summaries are to follow the guidelines set forth in the July 12th ruling.

Replies to comments on Commissioner Wood's June 6th draft decision, combined with any reply comments parties may have on material presented in

the workshops, are still due not later than August 16, 2002. The page limit for those combined replies is still 20 pages plus a redlined version of the rules.

Parties may now file replies to the August 16th workshop comments filed by others. These replies to workshop comments are due by August 23rd and may not exceed 10 pages in length. As before, a redline version of some or all the rules may be included as a separate attachment and not counted against the 10-page limit; provided, however, that in that case any redline attachment(s) included with that party's earlier filings will thereafter be considered as having been superseded. In all other respects, the requirements set forth for comments and combined replies will also apply to these workshop replies.

The July 12, 2002 Assigned Commissioner and Administrative Law Judge's Ruling on Motion to Modify Comment Procedure and Schedule Workshops remains effective except as revised by this ruling.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

1. The schedule for this proceeding from today through August 23, 2002 shall be as set forth in the body of this Ruling.
2. The Moving Parties shall jointly prepare and by July 23, 2002 serve a summary of each topic they propose be covered in workshops, following the criteria and service procedures set forth for them in the July 12, 2002 Assigned Commissioner and Administrative Law Judge's Ruling on Motion to Modify Comment Procedure and Schedule Workshops. Other parties are permitted, but not required, to serve similar summaries by the same date and following the same criteria and procedures.
3. Workshops previously scheduled for July 25 and July 26, 2002 are canceled.

4. Workshops will be held beginning at 9:00 a.m., August 5, 2002 and continuing August 6 through August 8, 2002, in the Commission Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California.

5. The previously established August 16, 2002 due date for parties to file replies to comments on Commissioner Wood's June 6th draft decision, combined with any reply comments they may have on material presented in the workshops, remains in effect.

6. Parties may file replies to the August 16th workshop comments filed by others. These replies to workshop comments are due by August 23, 2002 and may not exceed 10 pages in length. A redline version of some or all the rules may be included as a separate attachment and not counted against the 10-page limit; provided, however, that in that case any redline attachment(s) included with that party's earlier filings will thereafter be considered as having been superseded. In all other respects, the requirements set forth for comments and combined replies will also apply to these workshop replies.

7. The July 12, 2002 Assigned Commissioner and Administrative Law Judge's Ruling on Motion to Modify Comment Procedure and Schedule Workshops remains effective except as revised by this ruling.

Dated July 17, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ CARL WOOD
Carl Wood
Assigned Commissioner

/s/ JAMES C. MCVICAR
James C. McVicar
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Assigned Commissioner and Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Modifying Workshop and Comment Schedule on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated July 17, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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N O T I C E

Parties should notify the Process Office, Public Utilities Commission, 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2000, San Francisco, CA 94102, of any change of address to ensure that they continue to receive documents. Parties must indicate the proceeding number on the service list on which their names appear.

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